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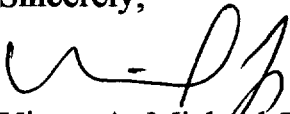
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Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Westcliff, Colorado.

Sincerely,



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In the matter of:)
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Amendment of Section 73.202 (b))
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Table of Allotments)
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FM Broadcast Stations)
)
(Westcliff, Colorado)

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PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 257A (99.3 Mhz) to Westcliff, Colorado as its first local FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 257A (99.3 Mhz) to Westcliff and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 257A to Westcliff will have.

DISCUSSION

2. Westcliff is located in Central Colorado. It is also located within Custer County, a county of some 1,926 persons. Westcliff has a population of 312 persons in accordance with the U.S. 1990 census.

3. The allotment of channel 257A to Westcliff will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to Westcliff is located at Canon City, Colorado. Canon City is located 40 kilometers from Westcliff

It is obvious that from the above spacing that Westcliff is presently without local FM service.

4. Westcliff would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 40 Kilometers of Westcliff. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the Westcliff area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards.

5. Channel 257A can be allotted to Westcliff and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Westcliff, Colorado	-----	257A

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 257A and the pertinent adjacent channels to 257A have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 38 - 03' - 58", W. 105 - 32' - 01") are that of a site located 9.7 kilometers southwest of the community of Westcliff. A site restriction of 9.7 kilometers southwest will be required to allot channel 257A to Westcliff. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Westcliff. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

7. It has been shown that Westcliff would benefit from the allotment of channel 257A. It has also been shown that channel 257A can be allotted to Westcliff and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 257A for Westcliff, Colorado , 73.202.

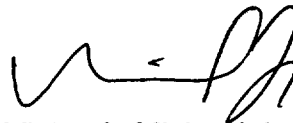
8. Should channel 257A be allotted to Westcliff, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Westcliff, Colorado.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated: February 10, 1999

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Victor A. Michael Jr.', with a stylized, cursive flourish at the end.

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MAPFM search of channel 257A6 (99.3 MHz), at N. 38 3 58, W. 105 32 1.

Searching Channel 257A6 (99.3 MHz):

CALL	CITY	ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
K203AT	Westcliffe, etc.	CO	203	D	L	30.7	0.0	95.0°	30.7
K203AT	Westcliffe, etc.	CO	203	D	C	30.7	0.0	95.0°	30.7
KCME	Manitou Springs	CO	204	C	L	95.5	28.0	37.9°	67.5
KCME	Manitou Springs	CO	204	C1	C	95.5	21.0	37.9°	74.5
ALC	Pueblo	CO	255	C	U	113.0	95.0	64.0°	18.0
KKMG	Pueblo	CO	255	C	L	95.6	95.0	37.9°	0.6
ALC	Denver	CO	258	C	U	178.8	165.0	1.3°	13.8
KKHK	Denver	CO	258	C	L	186.4	165.0	8.0°	21.4
ALC	Pueblo	CO	260	C	U	95.7	95.0	37.9°	0.7
KVUU	Pueblo	CO	260	C	L	95.7	95.0	37.9°	0.7
KVUU	Pueblo	CO	260	C	C	95.6	95.0	37.9°	0.6

FIGURE 1
MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING
WESTCLIFF, COLORADO